

August 14, 2008

Doug Dunham  
Deputy Assistant Director of Water Management  
Arizona Department of Water Resources  
3550 N. Central Avenue  
Phoenix, AZ 54321

Dear Mr. Dunham,

We are writing in support of the Arizona Department of Water Resources' rule package for the transportation of groundwater to an Active Management Area (AMA). In particular, we support the Department's application of A.R.S. Section 45-555 to groundwater pumped from Historical Irrigated Acreage in the Big Chino sub-basin.

As developers of The Bond Ranch at Del Rio Springs near Chino Valley within the Prescott AMA, we have a significant economic interest in the outcome of this rule package. There are no other water supplies within the Prescott AMA and the importation of groundwater from HIA is the only way that the many developers, including Bond Ranch, can access water for future development, and for the Prescott AMA to achieve safe-yield by 2025.

We also support and join in the comments prepared by the Town of Chino Valley regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Jerald Jacobson

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jerald Jacobson", written in a cursive style.

Project Manager

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